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Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of formal drawings replace the original sheets.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Replacement drawing figures have been submitted herewith which are believed to address the objections raised in the Office Action.

The listing of claims above is intended to replace the listing in the previously filed amendment. The cancelation of claims 1-5 was clearly not intended.

Claim 4 has been objected to as having an extraneous period. A period has been removed and is believed to overcome the objection.

Claims 1, 3 and 4 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Grach. It is believed the claims as filed and amended patentably distinguish over Grach and the other references of record. In particular, claims 1, 3 and 4 all call for the poppets to be biased closed by both a spring and air. Grach biases the poppets closed strictly using a spring 117 and there is no disclosure or suggestion in the record to do otherwise.

Claim 2 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as obvious over Grach in view of Smith. Claim 2 is believed patentable for the same reasons as set forth above with respect to parent claim 1.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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